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**Letter from Joanna [Muir Brown] to Sister Mary [Muir Hand], 1884
Jan 30.**

Joanna Muir Brown

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sickness too, I never had such
a complexity of trouble of
that kind but I have had
all my strength would bear
and as I know what it is.

Oh if you only were where
I could see you sometimes.
So you know I have concluded
that after all Phillips is
not a healthy place, it is
too damp, and oh if I only
dared to advise you to come
here, I do not think it wise
ever to try to influence any
one to change location but
in spite of my better counsel
what do you suppose I did
as soon as I had read
your letter, I put on my
things and went to a neighbor
whose husband is a lawyer
and who came here more

than a year ago, to enquire what
was the prospect for a law
yer to get started here and
how they liked the place.
She said her husband was
both sick and discouraged
at first but that he was
getting started now and was
improving in health (he had
not even well) and considered
it quite as good a place as
he could have found.

We all have to expect a good
deal of pressure at first set-
ting in a new place, a great deal
of outgo and no income. But they
consider that the city increases in
population at the rate of about
a hundred a day, I think,
as to health, I have watched most
suspiciously for symptoms of
malaria but as far as our own
family is concerned none has ap-
peared and I think I continue
to improve in health and can-
tarily I could not ask to have
it be any better to be getting
still many think they must take
just about as much quinine
every little while to keep in
order. As I hardly know what